

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) ~~An improved~~ A method for blindly positioning a sealant plug having a predetermined length in a biopsy tract in an internal organ after taking a biopsy specimen, ~~the improvement comprising the steps of:~~

~~using a calibrated delivery system to position the sealant plug, wherein a trailing end of the positioned sealant plug protrudes out of the biopsy tract beyond the surface of the biopsied internal organ;~~

~~measuring a distance "a" from a first point of entry made by a biopsy needle at a skin surface to the surface of an internal organ from which said biopsy specimen was taken;~~

~~measuring a distance "b" from the surface of said internal organ at a second point of entry made by said biopsy needle at said surface of said internal organ to a lesion within said internal organ;~~

~~subtracting a preselected length from said predetermined length of said sealant plug to arrive at a first value expressed in units of length; and~~

~~adding said first value to distance "a" to arrive at a second value expressed in units of length;~~

~~plugging said biopsy tract in said internal organ by introducing a leading end of said sealant plug into said biopsy tract to a depth equal to said second value so that a trailing end of said sealant plug is flush with a surface of said internal organ or extends slightly above said surface of said internal organ.~~

2. (currently amended) ~~An improved~~ A method for positioning a sealant plug in a biopsy tract in an internal organ after taking a biopsy specimen, ~~the improvement comprising the steps of:~~

~~dimensioning said sealant plug so that it has a length equal to or slightly greater than a length of said biopsy tract; and~~

~~using a calibrated delivery system to position the sealant plug, wherein so that a trailing end of the positioned sealant plug is flush with the surface of the biopsied internal organ or protrudes out of the biopsy tract beyond the surface of the biopsied internal organ.~~

3. (currently amended) ~~An improved~~ A method for blindly positioning a sealant plug in a biopsy tract in an internal organ after taking a biopsy specimen, ~~the improvement comprising the steps of using a system~~ tool with measurement markings to position the sealant plug so that a trailing end of the sealant plug protrudes from a surface of the biopsied internal organ.

4. (currently amended) ~~An improved~~ A method for positioning a sealant plug having a predetermined length in a biopsy tract of a biopsied internal organ, ~~the improvement comprising the steps of using a measuring system on an assembly configured to position the sealant plug, without an imaging means, to a desired~~ preselected depth in the biopsy tract through a coaxial needle such that a trailing end of the sealant plug is flush with or protrudes slightly beyond a surface of the biopsied internal organ.

5. (currently amended) ~~An improved~~ A method for positioning a sealant plug in a biopsy tract of a biopsied internal organ, ~~the improvement comprising the steps of using a measuring system supplied on an assembly configured to position the sealant plug blindly in said biopsy tract, to a desired depth through a coaxial needle such that a trailing end of said sealant plug is flush with or protrudes slightly beyond a surface of said biopsied internal organ.~~

6. (currently amended) ~~An improved~~ A method for positioning a sealant plug in a biopsy tract of a biopsied internal organ, ~~the improvement comprising the steps of using a measuring system on an assembly configured to position the sealant plug in said biopsy tract, without an imaging means, so that a partial length of the sealant plug protrudes from the biopsied internal organ, said assembly being positioned external to a body of a patient.~~

7. (currently amended) ~~A system~~ method for positioning a sealant plug in a coaxial needle, ~~the system comprising:~~

marking a plunger with a plurality of measurement markings;

a adapting a supporting structure adapted to fit adjacent ~~engage~~ the coaxial needle when the plunger is positioned within the coaxial needle; and

~~a locking means for locking a position of the plunger in a preselected position relative to the supporting structure.~~

8. (currently amended) ~~An improved~~ A method for blindly positioning a sealant plug in a biopsy tract in an internal organ after taking a biopsy specimen, ~~the improvement comprising the steps of:~~

positioning a ~~trailing end of the positioned~~ sealant plug so that ~~the~~ a trailing end of the
sealant plug protrudes out of the biopsy tract beyond the surface of the biopsied internal organ by
a small amount in the range of about zero centimeters to about one-half a centimeter..